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SUBJ: INDONESIAN-THAI EXTRADITION TREATY RATIFIED

1. THE PRESS ANNOUNCED THAT THE INDONESIAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE ON FEBRUARY 28 RATIFIED AN EXTRADITION AGREEMENT THAT WAS REACHED WITH THAILAND IN LATE 1977. THIS IS THE THIRD EXTRADITION TREATY INDONESIA HAS RATIFIED, THE OTHER TWO BEING WITH MALAYSIA AND THE PHILIPPINES.

2. IN AN ADDRESS TO THE PRESS FOLLOWING THE RATIFICATION, ACTING FONMIN MOCHTAR SAID THAT "INDONESIA IS WILLING TO CONCLUDE SIMILAR AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES OUTSIDE ASEAN TO INTENSIFY MORE EFFECTIVE REGIONAL COOPERATION IN DEALING WITH CRIMES." THE PRESS NOTED, IN ADDITION, THAT AFTER THE RATIFICATION THE OPPOSITION PARTIES URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO PROCEED WITH A SIMILAR AGREEMENT WITH SINGAPORE, THE ONLY ASEAN COUNTRY YET TO SIGN AN EXTRADITION AGREEMENT WITH INDONESIA.

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3. COMMENT. INDONESIA IS SLOWLY MOVING TO MEET ONE OF THE POINTS MADE IN THE ASEAN CONCORD IN BALI IN 1976, THAT IS TO PROMOTE "JUDICIAL COOPERATION" AND TO CONCLUDE EXTRADITION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN ASEAN MEMBER STATES. FONMINEMOCHTAR'S REFERENCE TO "REGIONAL COOPERATION" WITH OTHER COUNTRIES OUTSIDE ASEAN IS MOST LIKELY A

REFERENCE TO AUSTRALIA WHERE AN AUSTRALIAN TRAFFICKER
AND FUGITIVE FROM INDONESIAN JUSTICE IS CURRENTLY
INCARCERATED. AUSTRALIAN EMBOFFS INDICATED TO US THAT
THEY HAVE RECEIVED OVERTURES ON THIS SUBJECT. IN THE
MEANTIME, U.S. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN EXTRADITION
TREATY REMAIN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.
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